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Dear Sir

Colo. Gamble of Richmond has desired me to introduce to your notice his son Robert who is gone to Europe on commercial concerns. The circumstances are known to you, which render this application as unexpected as indelicate to be refused. His two daughters have remained two good republicans whether this is giving the pendulum another vibration, and he has made this an occasion of making an half way advance, I cannot tell. I gave him a civil anser & promised to mention his son to you, altho it was certain you know him, whereas I did not. I shall be glad the son should know I have complied with my promise.

When John Carey was collecting Genl. Washington's letters to Congress for publication, he proposed to proceed afterwards to publish the correspondence of Commanders in separate departments and of governors with him and with one another. I furnished him with my correspondance while governor of Virginia, retaining not copies, as I expected his publication would replace them. He has declined proceeding in the work, and it is extremely interesting to me to recover my letters, & those to me. Mr. Carey resides in London. His address is to the care of Mr. Taylor, cutler, Middle row Holborn's. Will you have the goodness to apply to Mr. Carey for these papers, and return them to me by a safe conveyance. Mr. Carey is a man of learning, abilities, and of great worth.

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